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-3, 3, 3-TRIFLUORO-2-HYDROXY-2-  
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In response to the Office Action mailed November 25, 2003, please consider the  
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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the complete listing of all claims in  
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